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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed June 5, 2003 (the "Office Action"), please amend the claims as follows. Please enter the abstract following the claims.

IN THE CLAIMS

A complete listing of all the claims in the application is as follows:

1. (Original) A method of selecting a common routing protocol in an ad hoc network having a set of nodes, the method comprising steps of:

transmitting a request for routing protocol information to a limited number of nodes, the limited number of nodes including a number of nodes less than the number of nodes in the ad hoc network;

receiving routing protocol Information from one or more of the limited number of nodes;

selecting a common routing protocol based on the received routing protocol information; and

transmitting information associated with the selected common routing protocol to all the nodes in the network.